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DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:412775 BIOSIS  
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TITLE: Nonlinear effects in subthreshold virtual electrode  
polarization.  
AUTHOR(S): Sambelashvili, Aleksandre T.; Nikolski, Vladimir P.;  
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SOURCE: American Journal of Physiology, (June 2003, 2003) Vol. 284,  
No. 6 Part 2, pp. H2368-H2374. print.  
ISSN: 0002-9513.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

AB. . . We studied cardiac membrane polarization produced by subthreshold stimuli in 1) rabbit ventricular muscle using high-resolution fluorescent imaging with the **voltage-sensitive dye** pyridinium 4-(2-(6-(dibutylamino)-2-naphthalenyl)-ethenyl)-1-(3-sulfopropyl)hydroxide (di-4-ANEPPS) and 2) an active bidomain model with Luo-Rudy **ion channel** kinetics. Both in vitro and in numero models show that the common dog-bone-shaped VEP is present at any stimulus strength during both systole and diastole. Diastolic subthreshold VEPs exhibited nonlinear properties that were **expressed** in time-dependent asymmetric reversal of membrane polarization with respect to stimulus polarity. The bidomain model reveals that this asymmetry is due to nonlinear properties of the inward rectifier potassium current. Our results suggest that active **ion channel** kinetics modulate the transmembrane polarization pattern that is predicted by the linear bidomain model of cardiac syncytium.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:213163 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200300213163  
 TITLE: Measurement of membrane potential from colonies of HEK293 cells transiently **expressing ion channels** by use of **voltage-sensitive fluorescent dye**.  
 AUTHOR(S): Hotta, Aya (1); Ohya, Susumu (1); Muraki, Katsuhiko (1); Imaizumi, Yuji (1)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dept. Mol. Cell. Pharmacol., Grad. Sch. Pharm. Sci., Nagoya City Univ., Nagoya, 467-8603, Japan Japan  
 SOURCE: Journal of Pharmacological Sciences, (2003) Vol. 91, No. Supplement I, pp. 245P. print.  
 Meeting Info.: 76th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Pharmacological Society Fukuoka, Japan March 24-26, 2003 Japanese Pharmacological Society  
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 TI Measurement of membrane potential from colonies of HEK293 cells transiently **expressing ion channels** by use of **voltage-sensitive fluorescent dye**.

L2 ANSWER 3 OF 18 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:522155 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:91389  
 TITLE: cDNAs encoding mammalian taste receptor cell- specific ion channel subunits and screening for effectors of taste signaling  
 INVENTOR(S): Zuker, Charles S.; Zhang, Yifeng  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): The Regents of the University of California, USA  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 306 pp.  
 CODEN: PIXXD2  
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 LANGUAGE: English  
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AB The invention includes nucleic acid and amino acid sequences of a mouse, human and rat taste cell-specific **ion channel** subunit that is specifically **expressed** in taste cells. Also provided are antibodies to such subunits, methods of detecting such nucleic acids and proteins, and methods of screening for modulators of taste cell specific ion channel subunit signaling. More specifically, taste cell-specific ion channels modulate the transmembrane Ca<sup>2+</sup> ion flux which may be monitored by **voltage** clamp assays, patch clamp assays, radiolabeled ion flux assays or fluorescence assays using ion

**sensitive dyes.**

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DUPLICATE 2  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:205100 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200205100  
TITLE: Transgenic mice expressing a pH and Cl<sup>-</sup> sensing  
yellow-fluorescent protein under the control of a potassium  
channel promoter.  
AUTHOR(S): Metzger, Friedrich; Repunte-Canonigo, Vez; Matsushita,  
Shinichi; Akemann, Walther; Diez-Garcia, Javier; Ho, Chi  
Shun; Iwasato, Takuji; Grandes, Pedro; Itohara, Shigeyoshi;  
Joho, Rolf H.; Knopfel, Thomas (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Laboratory for Neuronal Circuit Dynamics, Brain Science  
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SOURCE: European Journal of Neuroscience, (January, 2002) Vol. 15,  
No. 1, pp. 40-50. [http://www.blackwell-science.com/  
cgilib/jnlpage.asp?Journal=ejn&File=ejn.print](http://www.blackwell-science.com/cgilib/jnlpage.asp?Journal=ejn&File=ejn.print).  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB. . . years a variety of genetically encodable optical probes that monitor  
physiological parameters such as local pH, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, or transmembrane  
**voltage** have been developed. These sensors are based on variants  
of green-fluorescent protein (GFP) and can be synthesized by mammalian  
cells. . . after transfection with cDNA. To use these sensor proteins  
in intact brain tissue, specific promoters are needed that drive protein  
**expression** at a sufficiently high **expression** level in  
distinct neuronal subpopulations. Here we investigated whether the  
promoter sequence of a particular potassium **channel** may be  
useful for this purpose. We produced transgenic mouse lines carrying the  
gene for enhanced yellow-fluorescent protein (EYFP), a yellow-green pH-  
and Cl<sup>-</sup> **sensitive** variant of GFP, under control of the Kv3.1 K<sup>+</sup>  
**channel** promoter (pKv3.1). Transgenic mouse lines displayed high  
levels of EYFP **expression**, identified by confocal microscopy, in  
adult cerebellar granule cells, interneurons of the cerebral cortex, and  
in neurons of hippocampus and thalamus. Furthermore, using living  
cerebellar slices we demonstrate that **expression** levels of EYFP  
are sufficient to report intracellular pH and Cl<sup>-</sup> concentration using  
imaging techniques and conditions analogous to those used with  
conventional **ion-sensitive dyes**. We conclude  
that transgenic mice **expressing** GFP-derived sensors under the  
control of cell-type specific promoters, provide a unique opportunity for  
functional characterization of defined subsets of. . .  
  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:540671 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100540671  
TITLE: Design and characterization of a DNA encoded voltage  
sensitive fluorescent protein.  
AUTHOR(S): Knopfel, T. (1); Repunte-Canonigo, V. (1); Raj, C. D. (1);  
Sakai, R. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Laboratory for Neuronal Circuit Dynamics, Brain Science  
Institute, RIKEN, Wako-shi Japan  
SOURCE: Society for Neuroscience Abstracts, (2001) Vol. 27, No. 2,  
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Neuroscience San Diego, California, USA November 10-15,  
2001  
ISSN: 0190-5295.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference  
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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB. . . suggested as a promising approach to investigate the multineuronal representation of information processing in brain tissue. However, intrinsic or extrinsic **dye**-mediated optical signals are often of limited use due to their slow response dynamics, low effective sensitivity, toxicity or undefined cellular origin. Protein-based and DNA encoded **voltage** sensors could overcome these limitations. Here we report the design and generation of a **voltage sensitive** fluorescent protein (VSFP1) consisting of a **voltage** sensing domain of a potassium **channel** and a pair of cyan and yellow mutants of green fluorescent protein (GFP). Modulation of fluorescence intensity by membrane potential was investigated in **voltage**-clamped HEK cells **expressing** VSFP1. Depolarizing **voltage** jumps resulted in an increase in the emission by YFP (>530 nm) with excitation of CFP (432 nm) while hyperpolarization of the membrane resulted in a decrease in fluorescence output. The current-to-**voltage** relationship of HEK cells **expressing** VSFP1 did not differ from that of untransfected cells demonstrating that VSFP1 did not form functional **ion**-conducting **channels**. The relationship between **voltage** change and fluorescence change was close to linear ( $r=0.99$ ) with a slope of  $1.8 \pm 0.1\%/100$  mV ( $n=11$  cells). In parallel measurements using the prototypic conventional **voltage sensitive dye** di-4-ANEPPS, we obtained a sensitivity of  $-5.3 \pm 0.3\%/100$  mV from clean HEK cell membranes. The optical signals responded in the millisecond time scale of fast electrical signaling and are large enough to allow monitoring **voltage** changes at the single cell level.

L2 ANSWER 6 OF 18 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 3  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001164445 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21163415 PubMed ID: 11265727  
 TITLE: Cellular basis for dispersion of repolarization underlying reentrant arrhythmias.  
 AUTHOR: Akar F G; Laurita K R; Rosenbaum D S  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Medicine, Heart and Vascular Research Center, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH 44109-1998, USA.  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF ELECTROCARDIOLOGY, (2000) 33 Suppl 23-31. Ref: 26  
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AB Substantial heterogeneity in **ion channel** density and **expression** exists in cells isolated from various regions of the heart. Cell-to-cell coupling in the intact heart, however, is expected to attenuate the functional **expression** of the **ion channel** heterogeneities. Due to limitations of conventional electrophysiological recording techniques, the extent to which cellular electrical heterogeneities are functionally present in intact myocardium remains unknown. High-resolution optical mapping with **voltage-sensitive dyes** was used to measure transepicardial and transmural repolarization gradients in the Langendorff perfused guinea pig ventricle and the canine wedge. . .

L2 ANSWER 7 OF 18 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:88917 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100088917

TITLE: Mechanisms of hypoxic excitation of vasomotor neurons of rostral ventrolateral medulla.  
AUTHOR(S): Wang, G. (1); Zhou, P.; Repucci, M.; Reis, D. J.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Weill Med. Coll. of Cornell Univ., New York, NY USA  
SOURCE: Society for Neuroscience Abstracts, (2000) Vol. 26, No. 1-2, pp. Abstract No.-443.11. print.  
Meeting Info.: 30th Annual Meeting of the Society of Neuroscience New Orleans, LA, USA November 04-09, 2000  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB. . . excited by hypoxia, initiating patterned autonomic responses of O2-conserving (diving) reflex. The O2-sensing in peripheral chemoreceptor cells is associated with O2-sensitive K+ channel activity. We investigated whether hypoxic excitation of RVLM neurons results from activation or inhibition of O2-sensitive, voltage-gated ion channels. RVLM neurons from 3-11 day old rat pups were retrogradely labeled with rhodamine-labeled dyes injected into the T2-T4 spinal segment. Brainstem slices (150-200µm) were obtained and RVLM neurons identified under epifluorescence. The labeled RVLM. . . 2.2 mV (n=3, p<0.05) without any SD by 125 µM NaCN. To determine if this hypoxic effect is related to O2-sensitive voltage-gated ion channels, the ion currents of RVLM neurons were recorded using the whole-cell voltage-clamp. While the Na+, A-type K+ and Ca++ currents were not significantly affected by NaCN, a sustained outward K+ current was. . . controls to 947 ± 109.8 pA of NaCN-treated neurons (n=4, p<0.01). Post-recording single cell RT-PCR was also conducted. RVLM neurons expressed TH and O2-sensitive, voltage-gated K+ channels Kv2.1 and Kv 3.1. These results suggest that inhibition of O2-sensitive K+ channels might contribute to hypoxic excitation of RVLM neurons.

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DUPLICATE 4

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:374940 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900374940

TITLE: Modulation of glioma cell migration and invasion using Cl- and K+ ion channel blockers.

AUTHOR(S): Soroceanu, Liliana; Manning, Timothy J., Jr.; Sontheimer, Harald (1)

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SOURCE: Journal of Neuroscience, (July 15, 1999) Vol. 19, No. 14, pp. 5942-5954.  
ISSN: 0270-6474.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB. . . Mechanisms that allow glioma cells to disseminate, migrating through the narrow extracellular brain spaces are poorly understood. We recently demonstrated expression of large voltage-dependent chloride (Cl-) currents, selectively expressed by human glioma cells in vitro and in situ (Ullrich et al., 1998). Currents are sensitive to several Cl- channel blockers, including chlorotoxin (Ctx), (Ullrich and Sontheimer, 1996; Ullrich et al., 1996), tetraethylammonium chloride (TEA), and tamoxifen (Ransom and Sontheimer, 1998). Using Transwell migration assays, we show that blockade of glioma Cl- channels specifically inhibits tumor cell migration in a dose-dependent manner. Ctx (5 µM), tamoxifen (10 µM), and TEA (1 mM) also. . . brain aggregates, used as an in vitro model to assess tumor invasiveness. Anion replacement studies suggest that permeation of

chloride **ions** through glioma chloride **channel** is obligatory for cell migration. Osmotically induced cell swelling and subsequent regulatory volume decrease (RVD) in cultured glioma cells were. . . in glioma cells were inhibited by 5  $\mu$ M Ctx, 10  $\mu$ M tamoxifen, and 1 mM TEA, as determined using the Cl-**sensitive** fluorescent **dye** 6-methoxy-N-ethylquinolinium iodide. Collectively, these data suggest that chloride **channels** in glioma cells may enable tumor invasiveness, presumably by facilitating cell shape and cell volume changes that are more conducive. . .

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DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:351188 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900351188  
TITLE: Block by ruthenium red of cloned neuronal voltage-gated calcium channels.  
AUTHOR(S): Cibulsky, Susan M.; Sather, William A. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Neuroscience Center, B-138, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, 4200 E. 9th Ave., Denver, CO, 80262 USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, (June, 1999) Vol. 289, No. 3, pp. 1447-1453.  
ISSN: 0022-3565.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The **dye** ruthenium red (RuR) has diverse experimental uses, including block of **ion channels**. RuR is a well described antagonist of one class of intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> release **channels**, the ryanodine receptors, but recently this compound has also been identified as a putative blocker of **voltage-gated** calcium **channels** of the surface membrane involved in neurotransmitter release. Using electrophysiological methods, we have studied the action of RuR upon pure populations of neuronal **voltage-gated ion channels** heterologously expressed in *Xenopus laevis* oocytes. All four **channel** types studied, including class A (P/Q-type), class B (N-type), class C (L-type), and class E **channels**, are **sensitive** to RuR, with IC<sub>50</sub> values ranging from 0.7 to 67.1  $\mu$ M. Block of class C and class E **channels** most likely results from 1:1 binding of ruthenium red at a site in the extracellular entrance to the pore, resulting in obstruction of permeant **ion** flux through these **channels**. The mechanism of block of class A and class B **channels** is more complex, requiring binding of more than one molecule of RuR per **channel**.

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DUPLICATE 6

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:483420 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800483420  
TITLE: Rapid Ca<sup>2+</sup> entry through Ca<sup>2+</sup>-permeable AMPA/kainate channels triggers marked intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> rises and consequent oxygen radical production.  
AUTHOR(S): Carriedo, Sean G.; Yin, Hong Zhen; Sensi, Stefano L.; Weiss, John H. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Neurology, Univ. California, Irvine, Irvine, CA 92697-4292 USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Neuroscience, (Oct. 1, 1998) Vol. 18, No. 19, pp. 7727-7738.  
ISSN: 0270-6474.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

AB The widespread neuronal injury that results after brief activation of highly Ca<sup>2+</sup>-permeable NMDA **channels** may, in large part, reflect

mitochondrial Ca<sup>2+</sup> overload and the consequent production of injurious oxygen radicals. In contrast, AMPA/kainate receptor. . . studies have not found evidence of comparable oxygen radical production. Subsets of central neurons, composed mainly of GABAergic inhibitory interneurons, **express** AMPA/kainate **channels** that are directly permeable to Ca<sup>2+</sup> **ions**. Microfluorometric techniques were performed by using the oxidation-**sensitive dye** hydroethidine (HET) to determine whether the relatively rapid Ca<sup>2+</sup> flux through AMPA/kainate **channels expressed** on GABAergic neurons results in oxygen radical production comparable to that triggered by NM DA. Consistent with previous studies, NMDA. . . triggered increases in fluorescence in most cultured cortical neurons, whereas high K<sup>+</sup> (50 mM) exposures (causing depolarization-induced Ca<sup>2+</sup> influx through **voltage-sensitive Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels**) caused little fluorescence change. In contrast, kainate exposure caused fluorescence increases in a distinct subpopulation of neurons; immunostaining for glutamate. . . oxygen radical production paralleled the effect of these exposures on intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> levels when they were monitored with the low-affinity Ca<sup>2+</sup>-**sensitive dye** fura-2FF, but not with the high-affinity **dye** fura-2. Inhibition of mitochondrial electron transport with CN<sup>-</sup> or rotenone almost completely blocked kainate-triggered oxygen radical production. Furthermore, antioxidants attenuated. . . resulting from brief exposures of NMDA or kainate. Thus, as with NMDA receptor activation, rapid Ca<sup>2+</sup> influx through Ca<sup>2+</sup>-permeable AMPA/kainate **channels** also may result in mitochondrial Ca<sup>2+</sup> overload and consequent injurious oxygen radical production.

L2 ANSWER 11 OF 18 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:484015 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800484015  
 TITLE: Voltage-activated currents in identified giant interneurons isolated from adult crickets *Gryllus bimaculatus*.  
 AUTHOR(S): Kloppenburg, Peter; Hoerner, Michael (1)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Inst. Zool. Anthropol., Dep. Cell Biol., Univ. Goettingen, Berliner Strasse 28, D-37073 Goettingen Germany  
 SOURCE: Journal of Experimental Biology, (Sept., 1998) Vol. 201, No. 17, pp. 2529-2541.  
 ISSN: 0022-0949.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
 LANGUAGE: English

AB. . . bodies was established. Prior to cell dissociation, the giant interneurons were backfilled through their axons in situ with a fluorescent **dye** (dextran tetramethylrhodamine). In primary cell cultures, the cell bodies of giant interneurons were identified among a population of co-cultured neurons. . . their red fluorescence. Action potentials were recorded from the cell bodies of the cultured interneurons suggesting that several types of **voltage-activated ion channels** exist in these cells. Using **voltage-clamp** recording techniques, four **voltage-activated currents** were isolated and characterized. The giant interneurons **express** at least two distinct K<sup>+</sup> currents: a transient current that is blocked by 4-aminopyridine (4 X 10<sup>-3</sup> mol-l) and a. . . partially blocked by tetraethylammonium (3 X 10<sup>-2</sup> mol-l) and quinidine (2 X 10<sup>-4</sup> mol-l). In addition, a transient Na<sup>+</sup> current **sensitive** to 10<sup>-7</sup> mol l-l tetrodotoxin and a Ca<sup>2+</sup> current blocked by 5 X 10<sup>-4</sup> mol l-l CdCl<sub>2</sub> have been characterized.. . .

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 DUPLICATE 7  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996:37100 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199698609235  
 TITLE: Activation of nicotinic acetylcholines receptors expressed in quail fibroblasts: Effects on intracellular calcium.



AUTHOR(S): Cross, K. M. L. (1); Jane, S. D.; Wild, A. E.; Foreman, R. C.; Chad, J. E.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Physiol. Pharmacol., University Southampton, Southampton SO16 7PX UK  
SOURCE: British Journal of Pharmacology, (1995) Vol. 116, No. 7, pp. 2838-2844.  
ISSN: 0007-1188.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

AB 1 The aim of these experiments was to determine the ability of the muscle-type nicotinic acetylcholine receptor (AChR) stably **expressed** in quail fibroblasts (QF18 cells) to elevate intracellular calcium ((Ca-2+)-i) upon activation. Ratiometric confocal microscopy, with the calcium-**sensitive** fluorescent **dye** Indo-1 was used. 2 Application of the nicotinic agonist, suberyldicholine (SDC), to the transfected QF18 cells caused an increase in. . . were blocked by prior application of alpha-bungarotoxin (200 nM), by the addition of Ca-2+ (100 mu-M), by removal of Na+ **ions** from the extracellular solution, or by the **voltage-sensitive** calcium **channel** blockers nifedipine and omega-conotoxin, which act with IC-50 values of 100 nM and 100 pM respectively. 5 We conclude that activation of the nicotinic AChRs leads to a Na+-dependent depolarization and hence activation of endogenous **voltage-sensitive** Ca-2+ **channels** in the plasma membrane and an increase in (Ca-2+)-i. There is no significant entry of Ca-2+ through the nicotinic receptor. . .

L2 ANSWER 13 OF 18 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 8  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 96342976 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96342976 PubMed ID: 8741761  
TITLE: Zn(2+) permeates Ca(2+) permeable AMPA/kainate channels and triggers selective neural injury.  
AUTHOR: Yin H Z; Weiss J H  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Neurology, University of California, Irvine, 92717-4290, USA.  
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AB . . . Brief exposures of cortical cultures to kainate (100 mu M) plus Zn(2+) (300 mu M) cause fluorescence of the Zn(2+) **sensitive dye**, TS-Q, to appear in virtually all neurons, probably reflecting depolarization and secondary Zn(2+) permeation through **voltage-sensitive** Ca(2+) channels. However, if Na+ **ions** are removed from the media (to prevent depolarization), prominent TS-Q fluorescence is still observed in the small subset of neurons labeled by kainate stimulated Co(2+) uptake (Co(2+)(+) neurons), a histochemical technique that identifies neurons **expressing** Ca(2+) permeable AMPA/kainate receptor-gated **channels**. Kainate/Zn(2+) exposures in Na+ containing media with lower (50-100 mu M) Zn(2+) concentrations resulted 24 h later in selective loss. . .

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TITLE: Cadmium Toxicity in Rat Pheochromocytoma Cells: Studies on the Mechanism of Uptake.  
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AB The uptake and toxicity of cadmium were compared in two rat pheochromocytoma cell lines: PC12 cells, which **express voltage-sensitive calcium channels**, and PC18 cells, which do not. PC12 but not PC18 cells responded to depolarization with an increase in  $^{45}\text{Ca}^{2+}$  uptake and an increase in the concentration of cytoplasmic free calcium ion, ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ). These responses were blocked by the dihydropyridine calcium **channel** antagonist nimodipine and amplified by the agonist BAY K8644, drugs selective for L-type **channels**. Cadmium caused death of PC12 cells with an  $\text{LC}_{50}$  of 12  $\mu\text{M}$ . Inclusion of high  $\text{K}^{+}$  with the agonist BAY. . . = 6  $\mu\text{M}$ ), whereas nimodipine protected against cadmium toxicity ( $\text{LC}_{50}$  = 30  $\mu\text{M}$ ). In contrast, drugs acting on L-type calcium **channels** did not affect  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  toxicity for PC18 cells ( $\text{LC}_{50}$  15  $\mu\text{M}$ ). Fura 2 was used to measure intracellular free  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$ . . . PC12 cells.  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  fluorescence appeared to be concentrated near the plasma membrane. The results confirm the potential involvement of calcium **channels** in cadmium transport and extend the use of intracellularly trapped fluorescent **dyes** to monitor intracellular free cadmium **ion** concentration.

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TITLE: Neural induction suppresses early expression of the inward-rectifier potassium channel in the ascidian blastomere.

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AB 1. Early **expression of ion channels** following neural induction was examined in isolated, cleavage-arrested blastomeres from the ascidian embryo using a two-electrode **voltage** clamp. Currents were recorded from the isolated, cleavage-arrested blastomere, a-4-2, after treatment with serine protease, subtilisin, which induces neural differentiation as consistently as cell contact. 2. The inward-rectifier  $\text{K}^{+}$  current increased at the late gastrula stage shortly after the **sensitive** period for neural induction both in the induced (protease-treated) and uninduced cells.  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **channels**, characteristic of epidermal-type differentiation, and delayed-rectifier  $\text{K}^{+}$  **channels** and differentiated-type  $\text{Na}^{+}$  **channels**, characteristic of neural-type differentiation appeared much later than the inward-rectifier  $\text{K}^{+}$  **channels**, at a time corresponding to the tail bud stage of the intact embryo. 3. When cells were treated with subtilisin. . . = 14) than in untreated cells ( $11.25 \pm 3.10$  nA,  $n = 26$ ). The same changes in the inward-rectifier  $\text{K}^{+}$  **channel** were also observed in a-4-2 blastomeres which were induced by cell contact with an A-4-1 blastomere. However, when cells were. . . period for neural induction, the amplitude of the inward-rectifier  $\text{K}^{+}$  current was the same as in untreated cells. Thus the **expressed** level of the

inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** was linked to the determination of neural or epidermal cell types. 4. There was no significant difference in the input. . . uninduced cells, indicating that the difference in the amplitude of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> currents derived from a difference in the **channel** density rather than a difference in cell surface area. 5. The **expression** of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** at the late gastrula stage was **sensitive** to alpha-amanitin, a highly specific transcription inhibitor. In both induced and uninduced cells, injection of alpha-amanitin at the 32-cell stage reduced the current density of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** to about 2 nA/nF, corresponding to 13% of that recorded from uninjected cells. By contrast, the **expression** of the fast-inactivating-type Na<sup>+</sup> current, which transiently increased along with the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel**, was resistant to alpha-amanitin injection. 6. The dose of alpha-amanitin injected was controlled by monitoring co-injected fluorescent **dye**, fura-2. The dose of alpha-amanitin required for 50% suppression of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> current was 3.0 ng/ml. This was close. . . was taken into account. 7. In the uninduced cells, injection of alpha-amanitin later than the 32-cell stage partially suppressed the **expression** of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** and the fraction of suppression was related linearly to the time of injection. By contrast, in protease-treated cells (induced cells) the **expression** of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** depended only on transcription before protease treatment. We concluded that inductive signals suppressed transcription of the inward-rectifier K<sup>+</sup> **channel** which had already started before the 64-cell stage.

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AB. . . potential in suspensions of embryonic rat spinal cord cells was carried out in a fluorescence-activated cell sorter (FACS) using anionic **voltage-sensitive**, fluorescent **dyes** (oxonols). The FACS or flow cytometer is an analytical instrument that measures optical properties of large cell populations at a. . . is directly related to the degree of cell depolarization. Incubation of cells in elevated K<sup>+</sup> concentrations or with the Na<sup>+</sup> **channel** agonist batrachotoxin (BTX) changed the fluorescence intensity distribution pattern of the live-cell population; these changes were consistent with the depolarizing. . . in the dead-cell population. The BTX-induced shift was blocked by tetrodotoxin (TTX) and was reversed in Na<sup>+</sup>-free medium, indicating embryonic **expression** of functional Na<sup>+</sup> **channels**. Fluorescence microscopy of sorted cells showed that live cells typically exhibited circumferential ring-like patterns, whose intensities were enhanced under depolarizing conditions. The results show that flow cytometry combined with oxonol **dyes** can be used to measure the relative membrane potential of large numbers of individual central nervous system cells. The analysis of the changes in the distributions of these membrane potentials can be used to reveal the development of functional ion conductance mechanisms.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA71:53019  
TITLE: INTRA CELLULAR CALCIUM ACCUMULATION DURING DE POLARIZATION IN A MOLLUSCAN NEURON.  
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AB The bursting pacemaker neuron R-15 of Aplysia [A. californica] was injected with the Ca<sup>2+</sup> **sensitive dye** arsenazo III. Changes in absorbance were measured with a differential spectrophotometer to monitor changes in free intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> during membrane depolarization under **voltage** clamp conditions. **Dye** absorbance increased linearly for depolarizing pulse durations up to 100 ms and approximately linearly between 100-300 ms, but for longer durations the absorbance change decreased. The absorbance change vs. **voltage** relation increased steeply between -20 and 0 mV (e-fold/8.5 mV), peaked at +36 mV and declined nonlinearly to an estimated. . . null or suppression potential of about +139 mV. Tetrodotoxin (5 .times. 10<sup>-5</sup> M) had no effect on the change in **dye** absorbance produced by brief or long duration stimuli whereas Ca<sup>2+</sup> free [artificial seawater] abolished

all changes in **dye** absorbance. The absorbance change saturated with increasing external  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentrations. The relation between **dye** absorbance and external  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration was hyperbolic and for a small range of external  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration and membrane potentials could be fitted by a Michaelis-Menten **expression** where the dissociation constant and the maximum absorbance change are **voltage** dependent. The absorbance change was reduced by external divalent **ions** which block the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **channel** (e.g.,  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ). The suppression of **dye** absorbance was increased by membrane depolarization and suggests that there is a **voltage** dependent site within the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **channel** which binds divalent **ions**. The decline of the absorbance-**voltage** relation from its peak to the suppression potential showed a greater nonlinearity when longer duration **voltage** clamp pulses were used. The nonlinearity can be explained if the accumulation of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **ions** next to the inner surface of the membrane during depolarization reduces the driving force on  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **ions** decreasing  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **ion** influx. The suppression potential estimated from the absorbance-**voltage** relation increased 29 mV/10-fold change in the external  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration and can be used to estimate the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  equilibrium potential. The change in **dye** absorbance produced by brief depolarizing **voltage** clamp steps was inactivated at positive holding potentials (50% inactivation at about -14 mV). The slow decrease in **dye** absorbance during prolonged depolarization probably is caused by inactivation of the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  **channel**.

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      ion channels
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